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For: **Method and Apparatus for
Processing Requests in a Network
Data Processing System Based on a
Trust Association Between Servers**Attorney Docket No.: **RSW920000175US1****Certificate of Transmission Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.8(a)**I hereby certify this correspondence is being transmitted via
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Sir:

No fees are believed to be required. If, however, any fees are required, I authorize the Commissioner to charge these fees which may be required to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0461. No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an extension of time is required, the extension is requested, and I authorize the Commissioner to charge any fees for this extension to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0461.

In response to the Office Action dated April 19, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.